

TERRITORIAL TOPICS.

SANTA FE SIFTINGS.

E. B. Reynolds, of Hagerstown, Ind., a government inspector, is out in this country looking over the Indian agencies.

Word has been received in this city that Mrs. Easley, mother of General Easley, died Monday night at Harrisonville, O.

The court of private land claims will convene in this city on Tuesday, December 6, for the purpose of clearing up the docket as far as is possible.

The coal famine continues, but Santa Fe is not the only community in trouble, for as far north as Alamosa there is a scarcity, and people are resorting freely to wood. It will take some 700 tons to fill local orders.

Monday night's D. & R. G. did not arrive until 12:30 because of delay caused by shoveling snow out of the cuts south of Antonito. The wind came up all of a sudden, and about as fast as the snow was shoveled out it blew in again.

Miguel Sandoval was docketed for thirty days in the county jail by Justice Garcia yesterday morning in default of \$25 fine and costs for making a murderous assault, Saturday night, on San Francisco street, upon Hon. J. P. Chavez, of Rio Arriba county; and Sandoval was required to furnish a peace bond of \$200 for six months.

Rev. Dr. A. P. Morrison, presiding elder of the English Methodist mission of New Mexico, arrived from Chama last night and held quarterly conference at the Methodist church. Today he will go to Bland in company with Rev. G. S. Madden, returning by Saturday. The doctor will preach Sunday at both services in the Methodist church.

Santa Fe commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, installed on Monday night its officers elected just before the Spanish war. The installation was prevented at the time owing to a number of them being suddenly called away by the exigencies of the times. The officers are Dr. J. B. Brady, eminent commander; Samuel G. Cartwright, generalissimo; Fritz Muller, captain general; Addison Walker, recorder; E. L. Bartlett, prelate; F. S. Davis, senior warden; O. L. Merrill, junior warden; H. B. Cartwright, warden.

ALBUQUERQUE ATOMS.

Drs. F. C. and Marion Bishop, have leased the residence of B. C. Robertson and will move in at once.

Among other local places of business that had been robbed were Farr's butcher shop and Pulliam's barber shop.

Ignacia Sandoval de Anaya, wife of Francisco Anaya, died at 5 o'clock yesterday morning from heart disease.

Dr. W. R. Chambers, of Cincinnati, and Dr. O. D. Babcock, of Chicago, are two dentists who expect to open up an office here.

While Toney Coullodon was at work at the Grant building, some sneak thief took from his vest, which was hanging near by, his gold watch.

Mary C. Nones has commenced an action for divorce against her husband, Henry C. Nones. The latter is now supposed to be in Denver.

The case of the New Mexico National bank, of Socorro, vs. George L. Brooks et al., in which the plaintiff sought to subject certain property, in which the defendant had equitable interest, to the payment of a judgment of \$10,000, has been amicably settled and was dismissed in the district court yesterday.

The Citizen yesterday spoke of the urgent necessity for a liability law in New Mexico, for the protection of the miners, railroad employees and others. One of the miners at Bland calls our attention to the fact that there is no law in the Territory governing the per cent of nitro glycerine and age of giant powder. The legislature should enact a law on the subject, and place the inspection of all powder sold in the Territory under the control of the coal oil inspector. This could be done with little additional expense to the Territory, and might be the means of saving many frightful accidents in the mines. —Citizen.

Albuquerque is enjoying the sensation of a number of store robberies, and a capture has been made in the person of George Cunningham, an adroit thief. Cunningham started to rob the till of Mrs. W. T. McCreight's millinery store, Sunday evening, when Mr. McCreight, who is business manager of the Citizen, walked in on Cunningham and engaged in a lively scrap with him. Mac finally knocked the thief's teeth loose in his jaw when the latter capitulated. Mr. McCreight was ably seconded by Mrs. McCreight with a six-shooter, and the combination won the day. The police shortly appeared and took Cunningham to the police station, where a number of silk handkerchiefs and other goods were found on his person, showing that he had been pilfering elsewhere.

EL PASO ITEMS.

W. J. Cox will ship sixty car loads of cattle from Mexico into Colorado, beginning March 1. The Santa Fe has the contract for handling them.

Despite protests, and in some instances tiger-like fights, the police have been busy for some days past compulsorily vaccinating the dance hall girls in the Tenderloin district.

The rain that fell early Monday morning was much needed by farmers and stockmen, and did good service in this city by laying the dust and breaking the high winds that have been blowing for the past week.

W. T. Johns, secretary of the Elephant Butte Dam Co., accompanied by his brother-in-law, R. J. Prince, of London, went south on a business trip to Mexico City. Mr. Prince is a capitalist and is heavily interested in the Rio Grande irrigation scheme, and goes to Mexico to look over the republic as a field for investment.

Monday afternoon the two-year-old baby son of J. A. Caslin, one of the owners of the Van Patten corral on Stanton street, fell while playing with a long-handled button hook, in such a manner that the hook end was driven into his ear two inches, penetrating the brain. Dr. W. L. Baird was summoned and after much difficulty extracted the hook. The little fellow is in a very precarious condition, though there is an extreme chance for recovery.

THE OPTIC'S ROUND UP.

Correspondence from Many Points Detailing the Happenings of the Day.

Correspondence of THE OPTIC.

SANTA FE, Nov. 29.—THE OPTIC's correspondent was in error the other day in stating that King Catron had gone on to Chicago and would there await the coming of Delegate-elect Pedro Perea, proceeding thence on to Washington. At the last moment Mr. Catron was detained here. But "the whole push" depart tomorrow evening, passing through Las Vegas—if the train is on time—about 12:30 Thursday morning. In the party will be Boss Catron, Gov. Otero and wife, Max Frost, Sol Luna and wife and Pedro Perea. John S. Clark, it is understood, will not go with the party to Washington, as just now is a very busy time for the territorial coal oil inspector.

Collector A. L. Morrison's enemies are still camping on his trial. It is said they have taken the pains to write the editor of the Ohio State Journal and have a reply in which it is stated that the reporter who wrote the now famous Morrison interview is among the most trustworthy on the Journal staff, and the editor takes occasion to say, it is alleged, that he will vouch personally for the correctness of the reporter's statement in the Morrison interview. The matter is now worrying the custodian of the federal building not a little.

The contest and appeal by Clinton Young, of Clarksville, Tenn., of the will of the late Valentine S. Shelby, has been settled. The contestant contended that the will was void because the signature of the testator, or rather the act of signing the will, was witnessed by only one person, the statute requiring two. After considerable negotiation Young has agreed to take \$2,250. Young, who appealed from the decision of the probate court, undertaking to pay all costs accrued. The money has been paid, and the matter is about closed, and the estate is now free from any incumbrance whatever. It is supposed the final settlement will be made at the coming term of the probate court.

U. S. district court opens at Socorro on the first Monday in December. I met Geo. P. Money, the accomplished and capable assistant U. S. attorney last night and inquired about the Socorro docket. He said: "There are no cases on the docket for trial, as we have cleaned up the dockets of all the courts, practically, and now, for the first time in some years, we endeavor to try all cases at the term at which indictments are filed."

PECOS SUGAR.

Correspondence of THE OPTIC.

EDDY, N. M., Nov. 26.—The beet sugar factory here is getting on swimmingly. The average daily runs are satisfactory, though not as high as they will be a little later in the campaign. The best run so far is 400 sacks of sugar in twenty-four hours.

Eight cars of sugar have been sent out. Two cars to Pecos, two to El

Paso, one to Deming, one to Colorado City, one to Abilene and one to Roswell.

The beets continue to average well, though not quite as high as those harvested first. None have averaged lower than 15 per cent., and they run from that up to 22 per cent. The tonnage per acre varies like the percentage. The best tonnage reported so far is 102 tons off seven and a half acres, and 110 tons off ten acres. This certainly speaks well for New Mexico.

FORT SUMNER NEWS.

Correspondence of The Optic.

FORT SUMNER, Nov. 27.—Five flocks of sheep passed here this week going down the Pecos river. They are supposed to belong to Capt. J. G. Clancy.

Ed McCracken passed through yesterday in a snow storm, going to Clayton with 3,000 head of sheep for H. M. Porter.

The snowfall yesterday was about two inches. At this writing it has disappeared, and the weather is now nice and warm.

Lon Reed came down this week from Las Vegas with his wife; they are on their way to his ranch, about thirty miles east of Ft. Sumner.

The justice of the peace here is anxious to know why he has not received a copy of the compiled laws of New Mexico, for which he paid \$8.50 to the county clerk of Guadalupe county last summer.

Mr. Kelly and party from Las Vegas, arrived in town this morning. They will start for Roswell tomorrow.

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ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been qualified as administrators of the estate of Isidor Stern, deceased. All persons considering themselves indebted to the estate will call on the administrators and liquidate their accounts; and those having claims against the estate shall present their accounts within the time prescribed by law.

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